

<p style="text-align: center;">Community Supervision Standards</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Juvenile Justice Authority State of Kansas</p>	<p>CHAPTER:</p> <p>ADMINISTRATION</p>	<p>STANDARD NO.</p> <p>CSS-01-129</p>
	<p>SUBJECT:</p> <p>JUVENILE GRIEVANCES</p>	<p>PAGE: 1 of 1</p>
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STANDARD: Written policy, procedure and practice require Community Supervision Agencies to develop a local written grievance process to be made available to all juveniles, their parents, guardians/custodians, or their representatives. Juveniles and/or their parents may file a grievance with Community Supervision Agency, if they consider a circumstance or action on the part of the Community Supervision Officer to be unfair or otherwise have valid grounds for a complaint. Decisions made in regard to a recommendation to the sentencing court or violations of a supervision agreement are not covered by the grievance procedure.

DISCUSSION: A clearly written grievance policy, specifying the various levels of appeal, should exist for juveniles under supervision with the Community Supervision Agency. This policy must state that each juvenile in the program has the right to file a grievance locally. The grievance should be transmitted without alteration, interference, or delay to the party responsible for receiving and investigating grievances locally. The juvenile and/or their family reporting the grievance should not be subject to any adverse action as a result of filing the grievance. The procedure should have relatively short, enforceable time limits. The appeals mechanism should preferably be independent of the specific program activity that is the subject of the grievance. A written report as to the final disposition of the grievance should be prepared locally and placed in the juvenile's file, with a copy given to the grievant.

NOTE: The standards and procedures set forth herein are intended to establish operational guidelines for community supervision agencies and their employees/contractors and juveniles under supervision. They are not intended to establish state created liberty interests for community supervision agencies or their employees/contractors, or supervised juveniles, or an independent duty owed by the Juvenile Justice Authority to community supervision agencies, or their employees/contractors, supervised juveniles or third parties. This standard and procedure is not intended to establish or create new constitutional rights or to enlarge or expand upon existing constitutional rights or duties.